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and dumped into the educational mill to become the nation's vigor or the nation's chaff, as the case may be The military school has grown much in favor of late years for a certain type of boy-the type that is the better for discipline. The business and professional worlds here in the United States furnish a constant object lesson in the successer schieved by men who owe their characteristics of accuracy and thoroughness, their promptness, their attention to detail, down even to the little things in tidiness and neatness of person; their manly, straight-

forward address and bearing to the dis-cipline of schools of which West Point is the highest type. The military schools have not only increased in number of late, but have increased even more in thoroughness. Their courses of study have improved and their discipline and general tone have been raised and brought up to broader and

firmer standards. If Tom or Dick be of the type that an enforced orderliness of life will particularly benefit, the military school is a good place to start him off in even if he take a college to start him off in even if he take a college or university course afterward. There are plenty of schools that combine the military feature with preparation for col-lege. The boy who takes good advantage of them will enter the college or university in probably much better physical condition and with habits of order and punctuality more firmly rooted than will the boy who is prepared at home, or even who has had the benefit of an ordinary preparatory school.

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After the perticular religious require-ment has been met, then there comes the selection from the many institutions to be chosen of the one which, all other advan-tages being equal, promises best for the health of the student. On this subject

President Taylor makes some cheering

The bearing of the higher education," "The bearing of the higher education," says President Taylor, "on the health of women and on their attitude toward marriage and the home is a question of perennial interest, and has been widely discussed even during the present year. ** It may be said in brief that it has been abundantly shown over and over again by the most careful investigation that the health of college women improves during the four of college women improves during the four years of the college course, and that while it is not true in all cases, it is as certainly not true in the case of all men."

As to marriage, it is stated, so far as the institutions of which President Taylor is the head is concerned, that more than half the women who graduated in the first ten years of the colleges existence—from 1837 to 1877—are married, and that the proportion of children to each is from two to three.

"The very large classes now at all the inatitutions which train women," says President Taylor, "would, of course, bring down

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